

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 6768

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF SMALL ALTERNATIVE ON-SITE SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (g) of section 22a-430 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2007):
- 4 (g) The commissioner shall, by regulation adopted prior to October
- 5 1, 1977, establish and define categories of discharges which constitute
- 6 household and small commercial subsurface disposal systems for
- 7 which he shall delegate to the Commissioner of Public Health the
- 8 authority to issue permits or approvals and to hold public hearings in
- 9 accordance with this section, on and after said date. Not later than
- 10 December 31, 2008, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in
- 11 consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health, shall adopt
- 12 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to establish and define
- 13 categories of discharge constituting alternative on-site sewage
- 14 treatment systems. On and after said date, the Commissioner of
- 15 Environmental Protection shall delegate authority to the
- 16 Commissioner of Public Health to issue permits or approvals and to

17 hold public hearings in accordance with this section regarding such 18 alternative on-site sewage treatment systems. The Commissioner of 19 Public Health shall, pursuant to section 19a-36, establish minimum 20 requirements for household and small commercial subsurface disposal 21 systems and alternative on-site sewage treatment systems and 22 procedures for the issuance of such permits or approvals by the local 23 director of health or a sanitarian registered pursuant to chapter 395. As 24 used in this subsection, (1) small commercial disposal systems shall 25 include those subsurface disposal systems with a capacity of five 26 thousand gallons per day or less, and (2) an alternative on-site sewage 27 treatment system shall include a system that is (A) an alternative to a 28 subsurface sewage disposal system, as defined in subsection (i) of this 29 section, and (B) has a capacity of five thousand gallons per day or less. 30 Any permit denied by the Commissioner of Public Health, or a director 31 of health or registered sanitarian shall be subject to hearing and appeal 32 in the manner provided in section 19a-229. Any permit granted by said 33 Commissioner of Public Health, or a director of health or registered 34 sanitarian on or after October 1, 1977, shall be deemed equivalent to a 35 permit issued under subsection (b) of this section. The approval by the 36 Commissioner of Public Health of a permit for an alternative on-site 37 sewage treatment system pursuant to this subsection shall not be construed to endorse the expansion of a nonconforming residential 38 39 property for zoning purposes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	Iuly 1, 2007	22a-430)(o)

Statement of Purpose:

To establish and define alternative on-site sewage treatment systems and to transfer permitting jurisdiction for such systems from the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to the Commissioner of Public Health.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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